

"Training and Equipping Afghan Security Forces: Unaccounted Weapons and Strategic Challenges"

On February 12, 2009, the Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs conducted a hearing on U.S. efforts to train and equip the Afghan army and police. The hearing coincided with the release of a report from the Government Accountability Office's (GAO's) on-the-ground investigation into the accountability of weapons provided to the Afghan army and police, and also exposed broader strategic concerns with the U.S. and international efforts to strengthen the Afghan police.

WITNESS LIST:

- Mr. Charles Johnson, Director of International Affairs and Trade, U.S. Government Accountability Office
- Mr. Thomas Gimble, Principal Deputy Inspector General, U.S. Department of Defense
- Mr. Mark Schneider, Senior Vice President, International Crisis Group

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